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10/13/00**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Final Office Action dated March 17, 2000 be extended for a period of three months from June 17, 2000 up to and including September 17, 2000 (which is a Sunday).

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$435.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 18, 2000

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